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SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 4th MEETING

Held at Headquarters, New York,
on Tuesday, 25 April 2000, at 10 a.m.

Chairman: Mr. DONIGI (Papua New Guinea)

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The meeting was called to order at 10.40 a.m.

PACIFIC REGIONAL SEMINAR

1. The CHAIRMAN said that the meeting had been convened in order to formally approve the composition of the delegation of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to the Pacific Regional Seminar, which had been considered and agreed ad referendum by the Committee at an informal meeting. At the recommendation of the Chairman, the members of the Special Committee had agreed informally that the following members would represent the Committee at the Pacific Regional Seminar to be held from 16 to 18 May 2000 in Majuro, Marshall Islands: Papua New Guinea would serve as Chairman; Côte d'Ivoire would represent the Group of African States; India, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Syrian Arab Republic would represent the Group of Asian States; Bolivia and Cuba would represent the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and the Russian Federation would represent the Group of Eastern European States. It had been understood that two Member States from the Group of African States would participate in the next seminar; in the future, the Russian Federation, representing the Group of Eastern European States, would participate in the seminar every other year; and the principle of rotation would be observed in deciding on the participation of Member States from the Group of Asian States. In that connection, he noted that, in the Group of Asian States, priority would be given to Indonesia for the next seminar.

2. He took it that the Special Committee wished to approve the aforementioned composition of the delegation and authorized the Secretariat to make the necessary arrangements for its travel.

3. It was so decided.

4. Mr. LEGOWO (Indonesia) said that his delegation endorsed the decision just adopted. Indonesia intended to participate in the aforementioned seminar as a member of the delegation of the Committee, bearing all the related costs itself.

The meeting rose at 10.45 a.m.